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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: PARATRANSIT SERVICES (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This action is to approve the paratransit program for Fiscal Year 2008-09 in the Second Supervisorial District.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve the disbursement of \$596,000 from the Second Supervisorial District's Proposition A Local Return Transit Program for the continuation of paratransit services for eligible patrons in the unincorporated County of Los Angeles areas of the Second Supervisorial District for Fiscal Year 2008-09. The Second Supervisorial District's Paratransit Program includes the following services: Alondra Park/Del Aire, Carson/La Rambla, Ladera Heights/Windsor Hills, Lennox, Rancho Los Amigos, and Willowbrook, et al.
2. Authorize the Acting Director of Public Works or his designee to negotiate the following agreements for paratransit services in the Second Supervisorial District with the costs and terms as indicated: the Carson/La Rambla Paratransit Service, provided by the City of Los Angeles, at a cost to the Second Supervisorial District of \$175,000 for Fiscal Year 2008-09 (County's total cost for paratransit services in Supervisorial District's 3, 4, and 5 under this three-year agreement is \$795,000); and the Ladera Heights/Windsor Hills Paratransit Service,

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provided by the City of Culver City, at a cost to the Second Supervisorial District of \$18,000 for Fiscal Year 2008-09 (County's total cost for paratransit services in the Second Supervisorial District under this three-year agreement is \$54,000).

3. Instruct the Acting Director of Public Works or his designee to sign the agreements.
4. Find that the proposed program is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to approve the continuation of paratransit services for eligible patrons of the unincorporated County of Los Angeles (County) areas of the Second Supervisorial District and to authorize the Acting Director of Public Works or his designee to negotiate and enter into agreements with various entities for the provision of services.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1) and Community Services (Goal 6). This action provides services to the public in a responsive manner. These services improve the mobility of transit-dependent patrons.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

This action authorizes the disbursement of \$596,000 for the continuation of paratransit services for eligible patrons in the unincorporated County areas of the Second Supervisorial District for Fiscal Year 2008-09. This paratransit program contains agreements with multiple-year terms; the costs for each fiscal year within each agreement will be submitted for your approval as part of future paratransit programs. Each agreement includes a 30-day no-fault clause for termination.

Two existing agreements will expire on June 30, 2008. This action authorizes the Acting Director of Public Works or his designee to negotiate and enter into agreements to continue these services for a combined Fiscal Year 2008-09 expenditure of \$193,000. These two agreements are for the following paratransit services: the Carson/La Rambla Paratransit Service, provided by the City of Los Angeles, at a cost to the Second Supervisorial District of \$175,000 per year for three years from

Fiscal Year 2008-09 through Fiscal Year 2010-11; and the Ladera Heights/Windsor Hills Paratransit Service, provided by the City of Culver City, at a cost to the Second Supervisorial District of \$18,000 per year for three years from Fiscal Years 2008-09 through Fiscal Year 2010-11.

Four paratransit services have agreements that were previously executed. The Alondra Park/Del Aire Paratransit Service, the Lennox Paratransit Service, the Rancho Los Amigos Paratransit Service, and the Willowbrook, et al., Paratransit Service are provided under existing agreements for a combined Second Supervisorial District Fiscal Year 2008-09 disbursement of \$403,000.

The Fiscal Year 2008-09 Paratransit Program Budget for the Second Supervisorial District totals \$596,000, which includes, with your approval, services authorized by your Board action for \$193,000 and the previously executed service agreements for \$403,000. The attachment lists these services with providers, terms, and the Second District's Fiscal Year 2008-09 contract amounts.

The necessary funds are available in the Second Supervisorial District's Proposition A Local Return Transit Program, included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2008-09 Transit Enterprise Fund Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On January 4, 1983, your Board directed that funds for paratransit services should be provided from each supervisorial district's allocation of the County's Proposition A Local Return Transit Program at the discretion of each supervisor. In Fiscal Year 1983-84, and in subsequent fiscal years, your Board approved paratransit services providing transportation opportunities for eligible patrons of the unincorporated County areas.

The agreements for the paratransit services will be in compliance with the mandatory jury service requirements as set forth in the Los Angeles County Code, Chapters 2.203.010 through 2.203.090, Jury Service Program. The agreements will be signed after receiving the signed Jury Service Program Exception and Certification forms. The agreements will be approved as to form by County Counsel prior to execution.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed activity is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 21080(b)(10) of the Public Resources Code. This exemption provides for the implementation of passenger or commuter transit services.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The paratransit services for eligible patrons of the unincorporated County areas are provided primarily through participation in joint paratransit services with cities and other governmental agencies adjacent to the unincorporated County areas and less frequently through contracts the County centers into with private, for-profit or nonprofit, transportation service providers.

Through participation in joint paratransit services, the County benefits by a lower service cost due to economies of scale, better service to residents because of service coordination and, when available, subsidies provided through grants from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Grant Program (Incentive Grant Program). The Incentive Grant Program provides financial assistance to agencies that coordinate paratransit services across jurisdictional boundaries.

Most of the cities and other governmental agencies, that allow the County to partner with them, contract with private transportation service providers through a competitive selection and procurement process. The County's share of the cost of the service is proportionately based on the number of unincorporated County residents who use the service. When the County contracts directly with a transportation service provider, a competitive procurement process is used.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This action provides for the continuation of the current services. The approval of this action will not result in the displacement of any County employees.

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CONCLUSION

Please return two adopted copies of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Programs Development Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. T. Fujioka', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Chief Executive Officer

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Attachment

c: County Counsel

ATTACHMENT
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2
PARATRANSIT SERVICES
FISCAL YEAR 2008-09

SERVICE AGREEMENTS (NEWLY NEGOTIATED)	PROVIDER	MULTIPLE YEAR TERMS	AGREEMENT EXPIRATION (including options)	2008-09 BUDGET AMOUNT
Carson/La Rambla (with SD 4)	City of Los Angeles' Cityride (1)	3-YEAR	06/30/11	\$175,000
Ladera Heights/Windsor Hills	City of Culver City (1)	3-YEAR	06/30/11	\$18,000
SUBTOTAL				\$193,000

PREVIOUSLY EXECUTED AGREEMENTS (2)				
Alondra Park/Del Aire	City of Gardena (1)	3-YEAR	06/30/09	\$25,000
Lennox	City of Inglewood (1)	4-YEAR	06/30/10	\$90,000
Rancho Los Amigos (All Districts)	Los Amigos Research and Education Institute (1)	2-YEAR	06/30/09	\$43,000
Willowbrook Et Al. (with SD 1)	Watts Labor Community Action Committee (3)	2-YEAR + 3 (1YR) options	06/30/09	\$245,000
SUBTOTAL				\$403,000

GRAND TOTAL	\$596,000
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NOTE:

(1) City, Joint Powers Authority, or Governmental Agency

(2) Agreements were executed in prior years. This action approves the FY 2008-09 contract amount.

(3) Private Transit Service Provider